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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the ☒ Utility ☐ Design ☒ nonprovisional ☐ provisional
patent application of:

Inventor / Application Identifier: **Yoshio KISHIMA, et al.**☒ See Inventor Information Sheet attached

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LAYERED STRUCTURE BREAKING STRENGTH
ESTIMATION**

☒ This is a new patent application.☐ This is the 35 U.S.C. 371 National Stage Application of the above-identified PCT Application.☐ This is a provisional patent application.☐ This is a: ☐ Continuation Application☐ Divisional Application☐ Continuation-in-Part Application

of prior Application Serial No. _.

☐ Cancel in this application original claims ___ of the prior application before
calculating the filing fee.

☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
-- This is a ☐ Continuation, ☐ Divisional, ☐ Continuation-in-part, of
Application

☐ Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of
the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying
application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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ENCLOSED ARE THE FOLLOWING:		
X	5	Sheets of drawings ([X] formal [] informal size A4).
X	28	Pages of specification including abstract and claims.
X	33	Total pages.
Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney		
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		Copy from prior application
		Inventors deleted; see attached statement
Sequence Listing		
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		Paper copy
		Statement verifying identity of above copies
X	Return Receipt Postcard	
	Preliminary Amendment	
	Assignment to:	
		Assignment is of record in prior application Serial No._.
		Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet.
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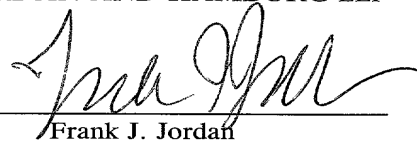
PRIORITY CLAIMS	
	Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of the following provisional application(s) under the provision of 35 USC 119.
X	Applicant hereby claims the benefit under the provisions of 35 USC 119 of the filing dates of the following applications as indicated below: Japan Patent Appln. No. 2000-396343, filed December 27, 2000, Priority Claimed of which certified copies thereof
X	will follow
	are enclosed
	have been filed in the International Bureau
	were filed in prior application:

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[] Base Fee - PCT not ISA or IPEA	—			\$1,040	
[] Base Fee - PCT with EPO or JPO Search Report	—			\$890	
[] Base Fee - Design	—			\$330	
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Claim Fees	Number Filed	Base Number	Number Extra over Base	—	
Total Claims	12	20	0	\$18	\$0
Independent Claims	4	3	1	\$84	\$84
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